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JAN 1 7 7007 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE n re application of: Fang-Zhong Chen et al. 10/696,759) Art Unit Serial No.: 2829 Filed: October 29, 2003 Conf No.: 7926 For: METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND DEVICES FOR BURN-IN TESTING OF OPTOELECTRONIC **DEVICES** Examiner: Paresh H. Patel

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Dear Sir:

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Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed December 11, 2006 (the "Office Action").

I. <u>Election of Species Requirement</u>

In the Office Action, the Examiner set forth an Election of Species Requirement that identified what the Examiner has characterized as two (2) patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. In particular, the Examiner suggested in the Office Action that the present application contains claims directed to the following species:

1. Species of method and apparatus described at paragraph 007 to 011 (see fig. 6 as an example with fig. 1-5); and